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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30,1975

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS. EA, IO AND PM DID NOT SUBMIT REPORTS.

AF - EDWARD W. MLUCHAY, ACTING

GUINEAN PRIME MINISTER - I ACCOMPANIED PRIME MINISTER BEAVOGUI OF GUINEA, TOGETHER WITH TWO MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET, FOR A COURTESY CALL ON CHUCK ROBINSON. THE PURPOSE OF THE UNOFFICIAL VISIT WAS TO EXTEND PRESIDENT TOURE'S THANKS FOR OUR HELP IN HAVING AN OLD AND DEAR COLLEAGUE TREATED AT BETHESDA. IT WAS AGREED THAT BILATERAL RELATIONS WERE GOOD AND IMPROVING.

MURREY MARDER - AT LARRY EAGLEBURGER'S REQUEST I PUT IN A LONG SESSION WITH MURREY MARDER GIVING HIM THE BACKGROUND ON OUR INTERESTS IN ANGOLA. HE SEEMS WELL DISPOSED.

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FRG AND ANGOLA - FRG AMBASSADOR VON STADEN CALLED ON CHUCK ROBINSON TO LEAVE A COPY OF A HELPFUL GENSCHER MESSAGE ON ANGOLA TO NINE AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS (WHICH WE ARE REPEATING TO YOU). AT THE AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST I BRIEFED HIM ON THE CURRENT MILITARY SITUATION.

EUR - ARTHUR A.HARTMAN

RICHARD WELCH: AS YOUR REPRESENTATIVE I JOINED BILL COLBY, PHILIP BUCHEN, AND OTHERS FROM CIA AND THE DEPARTMENT AT ANDREWS EARLY THIS MORNING FOR A BRIEF, SIMPLE CEREMONY MARKING THE RETURN OF THE REMAINS OF RICHARD WELCH FROM ATHENS. THE FAMILY ASKED ME TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS DONE; THEY WERE MOST APPRECIATIVE. THE CBS MORNING NEWS CARRIED ABOUT TEN MINUTES OF LIVE COVERAGE FROM ANDREWS REFLECTING THE CONTINUED MEDIA INTEREST IN THIS FIRST INSTANCE OF A CIA OFFICIAL BEING ACCORDED PUBLIC RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION. BURIAL AT ARLINGTON CEMETERY IS EXPECTED ON FRIDAY OR POSSIBLY EARLY NEXT WEEK DEPENDING IN PART ON THE HEALTH OF THE WIDOW WHO WILL RETURN TOMORROW FROM NAPLES WHERE SHE WAS HOSPITALIZED.

PROBLEMS AFFECTING TURKISH ELIGIBILITY FOR GENERALIZED PREFERENCES (GSP): BRUCE LAINGEN ATTENDED A CIEP INTER-AGENCY GROUP MEETING ON EXPROPRIATIONS TODAY EXAMINING POSSIBLE PROBLEMS AFFECTING TURKISH ELIGIBILITY FOR GSP GROWING OUT OF AMERICAN PROPERTY CLAIMS IN THE TURKISH CONTROLLED AREA OF CYPRUS. THE MAJOR ISSUE INVOLVES SALES BY TURKISH-CYPRIOI AUTHORITIES OF PYRITE ORE FROM STOCKPILES BELONGING TO THE CYPRUS MINES CORPORATION. THE CASE HAS IMPLICATIONS, BOTH POLITICAL AND LEGAL, THAT COULD BE AN OBSTACLE TO CONTINUED TURKISH GSP ELIGIBILITY. WE ARE TAKING THE POSITION WITH TREASURY, THE HARDLINER ON THIS ISSUE, THAT DISCUSSIONS ARE STILL UNDERWAY WITH THE TURKS AND THAT TO REMOVE THEM FROM GSP ELIGIBILITY WOULD BE HEAVILY COUNTERPRODUCTIVE POLITICALLY.

POSSIBLE BENDIX PROJECTS IN SOVIET UNION: BENDIX
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EXECUTIVES, WHO THIS MONTH MET WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS IN MOSCOW, TOLD ME THAT THE SOVIETS WERE INTERESTED IN HAVING BENDIX:

(A) PROVIDE NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT TO BE USED BY THE SOVIETS IN WIDE-BODIED AIRCRAFT AND HELP IN MANUFACTURING NUMERICALLY CONTROLLED MACHINE TOOLS, AND

(B) PARTICIPATE IN A JOINT VENTURE WITH THE SOVIETS TO
INSTALL A COMPLETE PLANT TO MANUFACTURE SPARK PLUGS.
THE MACHINE TOOL AND SPARK PLUG PROJECTS WOULD INCLUDE
JOINT PARTICIPATION BY BENDIX IN SALE OF THE PRODUCT,
AND THUS WOULD BE LONG-TERM DEALS.

THE BENDIX PEOPLE WONDERED WHETHER, IN LIGHT OF
ANGOLA OR OTHER TEMPORARY SETBACKS IN RELATIONS, THE

USG WOULD URGE U.S. BUSINESS TO TURN ON AND OFF LARGE
DEALS WITH THE USSR. THEY POINTED OUT THAT ONCE BENDIX
INVESTED IN A BIG PROJECT, IT COULD NOT BE TURNED OFF
LIKE A VALVE ON THE BASIS OF POLITICAL DECISIONS. I
AGREED.

ARA:WDROGERS DECEMBER 30, 1975

BINDER -- I BOUGHT A YEAR END LUN-H FOR DAVID, AND
HE TALKED ANGOLA. HE DEFENDS YOU, AND HOPES THAT
ALL GOOD MEN WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE THEIR COUNTRY
AS LONG AS THEY CAN. HE SAYS YOU WERE SANDBAGGED BY
-- THE BUREAUCRACY AND CONGRESS -- ON ANGOLA. ON
MATTERS CLOSER TO HOME, HE WILL BE GOING TO CUBA
ON JANUARY 10 WITH GENERAL TORRIJOS, AT THE LATTER'S
REQUEST. HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO TELL THE PANAMANIAN
TO PLAY DOWN THE NEWS IN THE US OF TORRIJOS VISIT
TO CUBA, BUT DOUBTS IF HE WILL SUCCEED VERY WELL. IN
ALL EVENTS, HE WILL BE REPORTING ON IT. STRAIGHT-
FORWARD AS HIS REPORTS MAY BE, THE TORRIJOS TRIP
WILL LINK THE PANAMA AND CUBA ISSUES AND STIR THINGS
UP HERE, AND IN FLORIDA.

NEA - SOBER, ACTING.

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1. BRIG. GEN. AHMANN, HEAD OF OUR MILITARY TRAINING
MISSION IN SAUDI ARABIA, WHO IS HERE ON CONSULTATION,
TOLD ME THAT THE REACTION TO ATHERTON'S RECENT DISCUSSIONS
IN JIDDA WAS VERY POSITIVE. PRINCE SULTAN SEEMS TO HAVE
BEEN GENUINELY IMPRESSED BY OUR EFFORT TO BE RESPONSIVE
ON HIS MILITARY SUPPLY CONCERNS. AHMANN AND I DISCUSSED
THE PENTAGON'S CURRENT EFFORT TO COME UP PROMPTLY WITH
LETTERS OF OFFER THAT CAN BE SUBMITTED TO THE CONGRESS
WHEN IT MEETS IN JANUARY.

2. REFERRING TO REPORTS FROM OUR EMBASSY IN NEW DELHI
ON RECENT STATEMENTS MADE BY MRS. GANDHI IN CONNECTION
WITH THE ALL-INDIA CONGRESS COMMITTEE MEETING, I EXPRESSED
TO THE INDIAN CHARGE DISTRESS AND DISMAY AT THE SHARP

ATTACKS WHICH SEEMED--AND WILL BE INTERPRETED BY MOST PEOPLE AS--AIMED AT THE U.S. I NOTED THAT WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO PUT INDO-U.S. RELATIONS ON A MORE STABLE BASIS, AND THAT REMARKS LIKE THOSE ATTRIBUTED TO THE PRIME MINISTER ARE BOTH UNCALLED FOR AND UNHELPFUL. THE INDIAN CHARGE SAID HE APPRECIATED MY FRANK REMARKS AND SAID HE WOULD INFORM HIS GOVERNMENT. (I DID NOT REFER TO SAXBE'S CONVERSATION ON THIS SUBJECT WITH MR. DHAR THE PRIME MINISTER'S SECRETARY, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT REACH THE INDIAN FOREIGN OFFICE.)

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H - KEMPTON B. JENKINS, ACTING

1. HAMILTON SUBCOMMITTEE REQUEST FOR GRAHAM MARTIN. THE SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF CALLED TODAY TO SET A DATE FOR GRAHAM MARTIN'S APPEARANCE IN OPEN SESSION SUGGESTING JANUARY 21. WE ARE TRYING TO NAIL THIS DOWN WITH MARTIN.

2. 200-MILE BILL. AT THE REQUEST OF THE NSC AND THE WHITE HOUSE LEGISLATIVE OFFICE WE ARE PREPARING A LETTER FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE TO THE SENATE LEADERSHIP URGING THAT THE 200-MILE FISH BILL BE RECOMMITTED TO THE SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE FOR 90 DAYS. JUSTIFICATION FOR SUCH ACTION IS BASED ON RECENT INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION
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FOR NORTH ATLANTIC FISHERIES (ICNAF) AGREEMENT LOWERING FISH CATCH; POLISH, ROMANIAN AGREEMENTS; AND THE RECONVENING OF LOS CONFERENCE IN MID-MARCH.

L - MONROE LEIGH

-- ALDRICH REVIEWED THE PROPOSED TEXT OF AN INTER-DEPARTMENTAL STUDY ON MEASURES WE SHOULD TAKE WITH RESPECT TO AMERICAN ARMS CAPTURED IN INDOCHINA. THE STUDY NEEDS SOME IMPROVEMENT TO SHOW ADEQUATE RECOGNITION OF THE FACT THAT, UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW, THIS EQUIPMENT BELONGS TO NORTH VIETNAM AND THAT THERE ARE PRACTICAL POLITICAL LIMITATIONS ON WHAT WE CAN DO TO RESTRICT ITS SALE.

-- FELDMAN REVIEWED THE TURKISH AND ARGENTINE EXPROPRIATION PROBLEMS AND PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERAGENCY REVIEW OF THOSE COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR GENERALIZED PREFERENCES UNDER THE TRADE ACT.

-- FELDMAN TELEPHONED THE PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS MINES TO EXPRESS THE DEPARTMENT'S DESIRE TO BE HELPFUL IN

RESOLVING ITS DISPUTE WITH THE TURKISH AUTHORITIES AND
TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A MEETING WITH COMPANY OFFICIALS
TO CONSIDER THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS OF PROCEEDING.

EB - THOMAS O. ENDERS

NEW INITIATIVE TO MEET LDC FINANCING NEEDS

SPENT AFTERNOON NEGOTIATING WITH YEO AT TREASURY ON
HOW TO MAKE GOOD PLEDGE IN YOUR CIEC SPEECH TO PRESENT
NEW PROPOSALS AT JAMAICA MEETING OF IMF/IBRD INTERIM
COMMITTEE JANUARY 7 ON LDC FINANCING. I HAVE A TENTATIVE
AGREEMENT WITH YEO THAT WE WOULD START OUT BY OFFERING
TO INCREASE LDC CREDIT TRANCHES IN THE IMF FROM
10 BILLION DOLLARS TO 13 BILLION DOLLARS. DURING THE
BARGAINING, WE SHOULD BE WILLING TO GO A BIT FURTHER:
I AM PRESSING A FIGURE OF 15 BILLION DOLLARS, BUT YEO
HAS NOT BOUGHT THAT YET.

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COMING ON TOP OF THE ONE TO TWO BILLION DOLLARS TRUST
FUND FOR THE POOREST LDCS AND AGREEMENT LAST WEEK ON THE
MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT SECURITY FACILITY
YOU PROPOSED IN YOUR SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION SPEECH,
THIS NEW PROPOSAL SHOULD LARGELY RESPOND TO LDC
FINANCIAL NEEDS IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS. IN
PARTICULAR, THE NEW PROPOSAL WILL HELP THE LARGE FAST
MOVING LDCS LIKE BRAZIL AND MEXICO BY ENABLING THEM
TO BORROW MORE ON THE PRIVATE CAPITAL MARKETS.
PRESSURE WILL REMAIN FOR DEBT RELIEF AND EASIER
CREDIT, BUT WE WILL HAVE A REASONABLE STRUCTURE FOR
RESPONDING TO IT. ROBINSON

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